

NOTICE of Review APDES Proposed Final Permit

Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC)
Wastewater Discharge Authorization Program
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NOTICE OF REVIEW OF AN ALASKA POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM (APDES) PROPOSED FINAL GENERAL PERMIT TO DISCHARGE TO WATERS OF THE UNITED STATES

Following the close of a 30-day public notice period, DEC has prepared an APDES proposed final general permit for Excavation Dewatering General Permit. Prior to making the final decision to issue the permit, DEC invites you to view the proposed final permit and associated documents. You can access the proposed final permit and associated documents at DEC's Wastewater Discharge Authorization Program web page at: http://dec.alaska.gov/water/wwdp/index.htm

Proposed Final Permit Review:

Start Date: June 18, 2014 **End Date:** June 25, 2014

Permit No.: AKG002000

Permit Name: Excavation Dewatering General Permit

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Proposed Permit Coverage:

<u>Permit Coverage</u>: Excavation dewatering in all regions of Alaska with exception of Denali National Park and Preserve and the Indian Reservation of Metlakatla are eligible for coverage under the permit. Dewatering associated with oil and gas exploration facilities located in the North Slope Borough or for hydrocarbon transport pipeline projects are eligible for alternative general permits.

Description of Discharge:

Dewatering discharges eligible for coverage under the general permit would consist of water pumped from excavation areas through the use of temporary dewatering wells or submersible pumps to lower the water table to support a construction activity. The dewatering of accumulated groundwater and storm water that accumulates within an excavation area is an authorized discharge under the permit. The permit does provide discharge authorization for dewatering conducted within 1,500 feet of a permit defined "DEC-identified contaminated site" although special permit conditions apply and additional requirements may be added in the discharge authorization. The special conditions will provide assurance that the dewatering activities doesn't pull contamination from the known contaminated sites.

Mixing Zone: None are proposed.

Tentative Determination:

DEC has tentatively determined to issue a discharge permit for the activity described above.

Administrative Record:

The APDES proposed final permit, fact sheet, and associated documents are available for public review at the DEC offices located in Anchorage, Fairbanks, Juneau, Soldotna, and Wasilla. Please contact the office of your choice to arrange for hard copies of the documents to be available for your review.

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If you would like to see any additional supporting technical documents, contact the James Rypkema.

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